

authorized by virtue of His Majesty's Commission, for declaring His Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, do desire the immediate Attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read; and the Commons being come thither, the said Commission, empowering His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, the Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, the Lord President of the Council, and several other Lords, to declare and notify the Royal Assent to the said Acts, was read accordingly, and the Royal Assent given to

*An Act to explain and amend an Act of the last Session of Parliament, intituled, An Act for granting to His Majesty certain Duties on Shops within Great Britain; for repealing several of the Duties granted by the said Act, and for granting other Duties in Lieu thereof.*

*An Act for punishing Mutiny and Desertion; and for the better Payment of the Army and their Quarters.*

*An Act to enlarge the Term and Powers of an Act, made in the Ninth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty King George the Third, for repairing and widening several Roads leading to and through the Borough of Bodmin, in the County of Cornwall.*

And to One Private Bill.

AT the Court at St. James's, the 24th of March, 1786,

P R E S E N T,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by an Act passed in this present Session of Parliament, intituled, "An Act for further continuing, for a limited Time, an Act made in the Twenty-third Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled, An Act for preventing certain Instruments from being required from Ships belonging to the United States of America; and to give to His Majesty, for a limited Time, certain Powers for the better carrying on Trade and Commerce between the Subjects of His Majesty's Dominions and the Inhabitants of the said United States; and for further continuing, for a limited Time, an Act made in the Twenty-fourth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled, An Act to extend the Powers of an Act, made in the Twenty-third Year of His present Majesty, for giving His Majesty certain Powers for the better carrying on Trade and Commerce between the Subjects of His Majesty's Dominions, and the Inhabitants of the United States of America, to the Trade and Commerce of this Kingdom with the British Colonies and Plantations in America, with Respect to certain Articles therein mentioned," it is enacted, that the said Acts, and all the Matters and Things therein contained, shall continue and be in Force until the 5th Day of April, 1787: His Majesty doth thereupon, by and with the Advice of His Privy Council, hereby order and declare, That any Unmanufactured Goods and Merchandizes, the Importation of which into this Kingdom is not prohibited by Law, (except Fish, Oil, Blubber, Whale-Fins and Spermaceti) and any Pitch, Tar, Turpentine, Indico, Mafts, Yards and Bowsprits, being the Growth or Production of any of the United States of America, may, until further Order, be imported directly from thence into any of the Ports of this Kingdom, either in British-built Ships, owned by His Majesty's Subjects, and navigated according to Law, or, until the 1st Day of January, 1787, in Ships belonging to the Subjects of the

United States of America, or any of them, and whereof the Master and Three-fourths of the Mariners are Subjects of the said United States, or any of them; and from and after the said 1st Day of January, 1787, in Ships built in the Countries belonging to the United States of America, or any of them, and owned by the Subjects of the said United States, or any of them, and whereof the Master and Three-fourths of the Mariners at least, are Subjects of the said United States, or any of them, and may be entered and landed in any Port of this Kingdom, upon Payment of the same Duties as the like Sort of Goods or Merchandize are or may be subject and liable to if imported in British-built Ships, owned by His Majesty's Subjects, and navigated according to Law, from any British Island or Plantation in America, and no other, notwithstanding such Goods or Merchandize, or the Ships in which the same may be brought, may not be accompanied with the Certificates or other Documents heretofore required by Law. And it is hereby further ordered, that there shall be the same Drawbacks, Exemptions and Bounties on Merchandizes and Goods exported from Great Britain into the Territories of the said United States of America, or any of them, as are or may be allowed by Law upon the Exportation of the like Goods or Merchandize to any of the Islands, Plantations or Colonies belonging to the Crown of Great Britain in America; and that, until further Order, there shall be allowed and paid the same Drawbacks on the Exportation of any Sort of Foreign Hemp, or Foreign Iron, exported from Great Britain into any British Colony or Plantation in America, or into the Territories of the United States of America, or any of them, as are or may be allowed by Law upon the Exportation of the like Sort of Hemp or Iron, and under the same Rules, Regulations, Restrictions, Penalties and Forfeitures, in all Respects, as such Drawbacks are allowed and paid, or are subject and liable to by Law, upon the Exportation of such Hemp and Iron into other Foreign Parts.

And His Majesty is hereby further pleased to order, That any Tobacco, being the Growth or Production of any of the Territories of the said United States of America, may (until further Order) be imported, in Manner before-mentioned, upon Payment of the same Duties as Tobacco, imported by British Subjects from any British Colony or Plantation, is or may be subject to, but under and subject nevertheless to all and singular the Regulations of an Act made and passed in the Twenty-fifth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled, "An Act for the better securing the Duties payable on Tobacco."

And His Majesty is further pleased to order, That any Rice being the Growth or Production of any of the Territories of the United States of America, which shall be imported directly from thence into any of the Ports of this Kingdom, in Manner above-mentioned, may, upon the Importer paying down in ready Money the Duty commonly called the Old Subsidy (except as hereinafter excepted) be warehoused under His Majesty's Locks, in such Warehouses as shall be approved of for that Purpose by the Commissioners of His Majesty's Customs, or any Four or more of them, upon the Importer's own Bond for Payment of all further Duties due for such Rice, within Eighteen Months, according to the net Weight and Quantity of such Rice at the Time it shall be so landed: But it is His Majesty's Pleasure, nevertheless, that upon the Importation of any such Rice into the Ports of London, Bristol, Portsmouth, Cowes, Liverpool, Lancaster, Falmouth, Poole, Whitehaven, Hull, Greenock and Port Glasgow, or either

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